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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.), PFOR

SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS,
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE
BUREAUS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30. PM, NEA, EB, H AND IO
DID NOT SUBMIT.

ARA - SHLAUDEMAM

MATOS EXCHANGE -- THE DUTCH MINISTER CAME IN TO TALK
ABOUT CUBA AND ARGENTINA. HIS PRIMARY INTEREST WAS IN MY
VIEW OF THE CHANCES FOR A MATOS-MONTES EXCHANGE. I SAID WE
HAD NO INDICATION OF A DISPOSITION ON CASTRO'S PART TO
RELEASE MATOS FOR ANY CONSIDERATION, BUT THAT OTHER GOVERN-
MENTS, SUCH AS HIS OWN, WOULD BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO
MAKE THAT CALCULATION. HE SAID THE THOUGHT OF A DUTCH
PROBE HAD OCCURRED TO HIM. MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT
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ASSISTANCE BRONK HAS A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH CASTRO;
THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DUTCH INTEREST IN MATOS AND
BUKOVSKIY'S IMMINENT ARRIVAL IN THE NETHERLANDS WILL
INCREASE THAT INTEREST. IN RESPONSE TO HIS INQUIRY, I
ASSURED THE MINISTER THAT THE CHILEAN OFFER WAS SERIOUS.
BUT I NOTED THAT MONTES IS A FIGURE OF LITTLE CONSEQUENCE

AND OF LITTLE APPARENT INTEREST TO THE CUBANS OR SOVIETS.

ECLA -- DAVID POLLOCK, DIRECTOR OF THE WASHINGTON OFFICE OF UN-ECLA, BROUGHT JOE GRUNWAD UP TO DATE ON ECLA PREPARATIONS FOR ITS BIENNIAL MEETING IN GUATEMALA AT THE END OF APRIL. IT WILL BE THE FIRST REGION WIDE CONFERENCE IN 1977 AND THEREFORE THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR THE NEW US ADMINISTRATION TO LEARN WHAT THE LATIN AMERICANS WANT FROM US POLICY. CONCRETE PROPOSALS, STIMULATED BY YOUR VISIT TO ECLA LAST JUNE, WILL FOCUS ON (A) DEBT AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS; (B) TRADE ISSUES (PRIMARILY MODIFICATION OF THE 1974 US TRADE ACT); (C) TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY; AND (D) REGIONAL INTEGRATION PROBLEMS.

ACTION ITEMS ON CRITICAL ISSUES: NONE.

EUR - ARTHUR A. HARTMAN

CANADA: FISHING RESTRAINTS IN DISPUTED WATERS. DICK VINE CALLED IN VERNE TURNER IN THE CANADIAN EMBASSY TO RESPOND TO THE CANADIAN AIDE-MEMOIRE WHICH JAKE WARREN GAVE ME LAST WEEK ADVOCATING MUTUAL FOREBEARANCE ON NATIONAL ENFORCEMENT IN OUR RESPECTIVE FISHERIES ZONES. WE TOLD THE CANADIANS THAT WE COULD ASSURE FOREBEARANCE IN THE DISPUTED AREA BETWEEN THE TWO LINES IN THE BAY OF MAINE BUT COULD NOT ASSURE RECIPROCITY BEYOND THAT. UNLESS WE GET AN INTERIM FISHERIES AGREEMENT WITH CANADA, AND ROZ RIDGEWAY HAS TALKS SCHEDULED WITH THE CANADIANS ON JANUARY 17, WE HAVE NO AUTHORITY UNDER EXISTING LEGISLATION EXCEPT TO ENFORCE US JURISDICTION
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OUTSIDE THE DISPUTED AREA. DICK ALSO MADE ANOTHER PITCH FOR THE CANADIANS TO RESUME CONTINENTAL SHELF BOUNDARY TALKS WITH US.

ACTION ITEMS ON CRITICAL ISSUES: NONE.

AF - WILLIAM E. SCHAUFLE, JR.

IVORY COAST - IVORY COAST AMBASSADOR AHOUA CALLED ON ME (ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY) TO RAISE AN ECONOMIC PROBLEM WHICH HE CHARACTERIZED AS A POTENTIAL POLITICAL PROBLEM FOR HIS COUNTRY--THE RECENTLY ANNOUNCED CONSUMER BOYCOTT ON COFFEE CONSUMPTION IN THE U.S. I INFORMED HIM THAT WE UNDERSTAND HIS COUNTRY'S CONCERN, BUT THAT THERE WAS NOTHING WE COULD DO ABOUT THE CONSUMER ACTION. WE WOULD PAY ATTENTION TO DEVELOPMENTS AND KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH HIM.

AMBASSADOR AHOUA MET EARLIER IN THE DAY WITH EB ASSISTANT SECRETARY KATZ ON THE BOYCOTT PROBLEM, AND WILL BE RETURNING TO THE IVORY COAST JANUARY 5 ON CONSULTATIONS. I ASKED HIM TO TRANSMIT TO PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY OUR APPRECIATION FOR HIS ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT FOR YOUR AFRICAN INITIATIVES, AND TO IMPART MY CONTINUING OPTIMISM THAT SOME PROGRESS CAN BE MADE ON RHODESIA.

AMBASSADOR BOTHA - PURSUANT TO YOUR INSTRUCTIONS, I CALLED AMBASSADOR BOTHA. HE SAID THAT HE WILL BE LEAVING FOR PRETORIA ON SATURDAY.

ACTION MESSAGES ON CRITICAL ISSUES: NONE

L - GEORGE H. ALDRICH, ACTING

--I CALLED IN THE COUNSELOR OF THE INDIAN EMBASSY AND
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GAVE HIM THE NOTE EXPLAINING THE ACTING SECRETARY'S DECISION IN THE JHIRAD EXTRADITION CASE. HE APPEARED TO ACCEPT OUR ASSURANCE THAT THE DECISION WAS MADE ON TECHNICAL, NON-POLITICAL GROUNDS. I ALSO INFORMED THE WHITE HOUSE OF THE DECISION.

-- FELDMAN MET WITH THE CANADIAN EMBASSY AND EUR TO PRESENT THE U.S. REPLY TO CANADA'S AIDE MEMOIRE ON MUTUAL FOREBEARANCE IN FISHERIES ENFORCEMENT.

-- FELDMAN MET WITH THE CANADIAN EMBASSY AND SCA TO DISCUSS TRANS-BOUNDARY POLICE VISITS. CANADA IS PROPOSING A BINDING INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT TO REGULATE POLICE ACTIVITIES IN EACH OTHER'S TERRITORY.

-- SCHWEBEL MET WITH FRANK AND LAWYERS FROM TREASURY IN A REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AGREEMENT ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A ZIMBABWEAN DEVELOPMENT FUND.

-- SCHWEBEL JOINED THE ACTING SECRETARY, KATZ AND POATS IN A CONFERENCE CALL TO ARAMCO PARTNERS ON THE TERMS OF THE PROSPECTIVE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THEM AND THE SAUDI ARAB GOVERNMENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY WORKED OUT WITH POATS VARIATIONS ON FACT-FINDING, MEDIATION AND ADVISORY ARBITRATION WHICH THE ARAMCO PARTNERS MIGHT SEEK TO PERSUADE SAUDI ARABIA TO INCORPORATE IN THE PROSPECTIVE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THEM AND SAUDI ARABIA.

ACTION MESSAGES ON CRITICAL ISSUES: NONE.

EA - ARTHUR W. HUMMEL, JR.

SINGAPOREAN AMBASSADOR PROBES NEW ADMINISTRATION POLICIES.
SINGAPOREAN AMBASSADOR COOMARASWAMY, IN HIS INITIAL
COURTESY CALL ON ME, PROBED OBLIQUELY CONCERNING THE NEW
ADMINISTRATION'S POLICIES TOWARD SEA. I TOLD HIM PERSON-
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ALLY I THOUGHT THERE WOULD BE SUBSTANTIAL CONTINUITY.

ROC MEMBERSHIP IN IMF AND POSSIBLE NON-RESTITUTION OF ITS
GOLD TRANCHE. AT THE REQUEST OF THE ROC EMBASSY, LES
EDMOND HELD A MEETING WITH THE ROC EMBASSY'S MINISTER FOR
ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND SAM CROSS, THE US EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TO THE IMF. THE MEETING DEALT WITH THE NORDIC COUNTRIES'
EFFORTS TO DEPRIVE THE ROC OF ITS MEMBERSHIP IN THE IMF
AND THE FRENCH EFFORTS TO HALT THE RESTITUTION OF CHINA'S
GOLD WHEN THE FIRST TRANCHE OF GOLD IS RESOLD TO MEMBERS
IN JANUARY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR DECISION, LES IN-
FORMED THE EMBASSY THAT WE WERE NOT PREPARED TO APPROACH
CAPITALS TO SEEK A DECISION FAVORABLE TO THE ROC.

ACTION MESSAGES ON CRITICAL ISSUES: NEGATIVE.

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